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WESTMINSTER LEAF VACUUM SCHEDULE STARTS OCTOBER 4, 2010

Westminster, MD – The City of Westminster has announced through its Department of Public Works that the City will provide pick-up of leaves on a regular basis.

Open burning is prohibited by law within the corporate limits of Westminster, since public collection of leaves and debris is provided. The City will utilize the leaf vacuum unit as it has in the past. The leaf unit will be on the street every weekday in the autumn season, except during inclement weather. Concurrent with the new bulk trash service, citizens are NOT required to call to request leaf vacuum service.

The schedule for pick-up of leaves within the City limits will go into effect Monday, October 4, 2010 and is as follows:

MONDAY – Entire Zone 4
TUESDAY – Zone 2: EXCLUDING Village of Meadow Creek
WEDNESDAY - NONE
THURSDAY – Entire Zone 3, Zone 5: ONLY Wakefield area
FRIDAY – Entire Zone 1, Zone 2: ONLY Village of Meadow Creek, Zone 5: ONLY Cliveden Reach

Leaves may be raked into the gutter area and should NOT be placed in the gutter area more than 12 hours ahead of the scheduled pick-up. Additionally, leaves should NOT be placed in the gutter during inclement weather, as this creates blockage in the City's storm drainage system. The public is requested to cooperate in placing leaves at locations giving the vacuum unit the best access.

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The City of Westminster Public Works Department is located at 56 West Main Street. The department is responsible for overseeing the Water and Wastewater Treatment Plants, and the Utility Maintenance and Street Departments. For more information, call 410-848-9000 or visit www.westminstermd.gov.